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3. (Amended) A touch-operating input device comprising a display device for displaying operation function items and a touch panel which is provided separately from the display device and which is for selecting the function items by touch operation, wherein a touch-operation guide shape is formed on the touch-operation face of said touch panel, said touch-operation guide shape is at least one of a convex shape and a concave shape, wherein at least one of the convex shape and the concave shape is designed to continuously extend in a predetermined direction on the touch-operation face of said touch panel.

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7. (Amended) A touch-operating input device comprising a display device for displaying operation function items and a touch panel which is provided separately from the display device and which is for selecting the function items by touch operation, wherein a touch-operation guide shape is formed on the touch-operation face of said touch panel, wherein plural continuously extending shapes extend from one end side to another end side on the touch-operation face.

9. (Amended) The touch-operating input device according to claim 8, wherein plural pairs of the at least one of the convex shape and the concave shape arranged in the predetermined direction are arranged in a direction intersecting the predetermined direction.

10. (Amended) The touch-operating input device according to claim 2, wherein at least one of the convex shape and the concave shape is disposed at least one position serving as a reference for determining a position on the touch-operation face.

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11. (Amended) The touch-operating input device according to claim 2, wherein the convex shape is protruding shape and the concave shape is a recessed shape.

12. (Amended) A touch-operating input device comprising a display device for displaying operation function items and a touch panel which is provided separately from the display device and which is for selecting the function items by touch operation, wherein a touch-operation guide shape is formed on the touch-operation face of said touch panel, wherein the touch-operation guide shape is designed by dividing the touch-operation face into plural sub-faces so that the respective sub-faces are shaped to be discontinuous at boundary positions between neighboring sub-faces.

13. (Amended) The touch-operating input device according to claim 12, wherein each of the plural sub-faces is slanted at a different angle from the neighboring sub-faces.